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BRITISH AND GERMANS NOTES ABOUT SHIPPING

Ships of Neutral Flag

MEAN TROUBLE FOR THE NEUTRALS ers.

Flags Are Neutral

Washington, Feb. 11.-The Govern- ways be distinguished when an atment today sent a note to Great Bri- tack was made. the identity of ships flying neutral of war around England and Ireland. of war as well as of peace.

BRITISH SHIPS Ridicules Idea Of U.S. Germans THEIR SAILINGS

Taft-He, Personally, Stands For Neutrality

lay for a stay of two days, during dom.

.Taft said, "Talk about a German inthink the war feeling will have any effect on politics in the United States."

Russians Make Many Captures

Capture Five Thousand Men and Many Guns-Successes in Central Poland-Gains in E. Prussia

ernment reports confused fighting around Bagatelle, in Argonne, with small successes at two other points. lighting in East Prussia. German attacks were repulsed. One battalion was almost exterminated.

In Central Poland during six days attack near Borzimow, the German losses apparently amount to tens of In the Carpathians on the seventh

the Russians captured about seventy officers and over five thousand soldiers, and eighteen machine guns; also hear Tukholka pass the Germans, who attacked in mass formation, suffered ly serious losses. The mountain slopes were littered with dead, prisoners. over a thousand being counted in front of one Russian battalion.

-HARCOURT.

20 Men Drowned

Vancouver, Feb. 11.—Twenty men and X-ray photographs. miles from Nanaimo, were drowned by pert armourers. rush of water yesterday.

GERMAN LOSS IN BIG BATTLE

Germany is Asked How She stood the United States asked how the greatly alarmed at their position and German Admiralty proposed to carry large reinforcements are arriving Will Ascertain Whether or out in practice its recent proclama- daily at Ostend from Bruges. Not Ships Flying Neutral tion of war on merchant ships and its warning that, on account of the mis- HURRICANE use of neutral flags by belligerent vessels, neutral ships could not al-

ed a communication to Germany in- cent developments may seriously em- a house is standing.

WILL NOT DELAY

Invading Canada Ottawa, Feb. 10,—"We shall run our "All Moonshine," Says Ex-President lan of the Allan Steamship Co., when asked here today if trans-Atlantic shipping between Canada and Britain Toronto, Feb. 10.-Former United the German threat to sink all mer- Regiment.' States President Taft arrived here to- chant ships bound for the United King

which time he will deliver several ad- "We don't regard that paper blockade seriously at all. It is difficult to Taft refused to say anything about say yet what the prospects for the re the Port Saunders. It should read the attitude of President Wilson and shipping business will be in the "has been purchased from her present his Administration, towards certain spring. We have been trying to make owners, the Reid Newfoundland Co. phases of the present war, but speak- up our sailing list, but until we know ing generally he said, "I support the what the Admiralty requires, cannot S.S. Tabasco left Halifax at 9 last decide on anything definite.'

Allies Gain The Mastery Of The Dunes

Checked German Offensive, Beat Down Their Defensive and Gain

London, Feb. 11.—A correspondent Note to Great Britain Makes The American Government points at Boulogne, of The London Tele-Friendly Observations out how the frequent and continued graph says: From an exceedingly reuse of this strategem might cast a liable source I am in a position to About Use by British doubt on the character of vessels real- state the Allies are now absolute mast ly entitled to fly the American flag ers of the Dunes. Little by little the and produce dangers to which neutral German offensivem ovement changed DIDN'T SUBMIT ships ought not to be subjected on and after a short defensive tehy gave the high seas and in unblockaded wat- way before the Allied troops,

With regard to the district about In the note to Germany it is under- Ostend the Germans have become Britain Possesses Effective

DEVASTATES THE SAMOA IS.

the use of British ships of neutral a friendly spirit. Neither makes a Feb. 11.—The American Island Somoa flags and at the same time despatch- protest but each points out how re- has been swept by a hurricane. Not India, and also by a "token" a vote pro-

quiring what steps would be taken by barrass the voyages of neutral ships No deaths are reported, but the pose. on the high seas which always have population has lost everything. The flags in the recently proclaimed zones been considered free to them in time food situation is serious and help is

CALL OUR BOYS SOBER REGIMENT

Lt.-Quartermaster Frank Summers, ready to go anywhere at any time. writing from Fort George to a friend in the city, says that every member Contingent, has kept his pledge.

Over 80 per cent. of the Newfoundlanders have taken Kitchener's pledge is likely to be curtailed as a result of and they have been termed "The Sober

An error crept into note yesterday

evening for St. John's

vasion of Canada from the United MANY ATROCITIES CHARGED States is all moonshine. I do not MANY ATROCITIES CHARGED AGAINST GERMAN SOLDIERS IN OFFICIAL BELGIAN REPORT

In Carpathians Use of Dum-dum Bullets, seeing that he was still alive, fired on Three soldiers depose that, having him from a distance of only six feet; been made prisoners along with other ers Alleged

London, Feb. 10 .- The French Gov- ALSO MALTREATMENT OF HOSPITAL STAFFS

able Persons

shows that German soldiers have been emblems of the Red Cross.

Using dum-dum bullets.

Torturing prisoners. Maltreatment of hospital staffs. Abuse of the Red Cross.

ports of the use of expanding bullets, to the wounded. and undeniable evidence in the form of

Skulls of Wounded Battered In. The following extracts show how very conspicuously on both establish- READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE. Dwyer, Dugald White, Dr. and ringing cheers rang atrociously the wounded and prisoners ments.

Quartermaster Baudoin van de Ger- riddled the hospital with bullets. WAS 50,000 MEN chove, 3rd Lancers, deposes that after White Flag and Red Cross Abused. he had been wounded by two Ger- Witnesses declare that the German London, Feb. 10.—The Russians es man bullets at Orsmael the Germans assaulting columns in the combat of timate that the Germans lost 50,000 maltreated him in spite of his in-Schiplaeken, near Hofstaede, were men in the battle which ended on Sun juries. One of them took his carbine preceded by a white flag; that on the

skulls battered in by blows with club-line. The Germans placed them in

The Russian Government reports Allegations Are Backed up tree. These soldiers were still wear- of the prisoners fell, shot down by the by the Sworn Testimony of ing their full equipment; their coats balls of their comrades. Large Numbers of Reput- were torn open and they had been bay-oneted in the stomach.

Hospitals Deliberately Fired On. The seventh report of the Commis- by the Germans on ambulance trains; the Convent of the Sisters of St. Vinsion of Inquiry on the Violation of the the arrest of medical staffs (who have cent de Paul, which was occupied by * Laws and Customs of War, addressed often been sent to Germany); the sick, orphans, and refugees to the

At Aerschot ambulance men in clerical dress wearing the Red Cross arm- tured by the Germans, and that his gathering up the wounded, although | questions, plunged his hands into a they pointed to the emblem which they saucepan of boiling water.

the Germans bombarded those places, off. though the Red Cross flag was hoisted

When entering Namur the Germans | The Company of th

day, says a despatch, received from from his hand, whirled it round his road from Lierre to Aerschot German the Petrograd correspondent of The head, and inflicted a violent blow on soldiers made use of a white fiag in his ribs with it. A second German, order to entrap a Belgian officer sponse.

IS ADOPTED

Commons Grant Appropriaation to Finance Army of Three Million Men in the Field

ANY DETAILS

Force of Well-Trained Men Ready to Defend Islands From Invasion

London, Feb. 11.-After two days' debate, during which many matters in connection with the war were discussed, the House of Commons tonight passed without division army estimates for 3,000,000 men, exclusive of receive a blank cheque for this pur-

By this vote the Government will receive blank cheque for this purpose. Replying to points raised by mem-General Sir Ian Hamilton was in command of a mobile force which was bers of the House, Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary Under Secretary for war, said in case of a raid on England,

There was considerable discussion Government was considering dropping bombs on the forts.

nant said, that he was about to issue venture so far inland. an order suspending grants of leave to those persons who declined to be in- Ship Lost At Sea oculated

Under Secretary Tenant added that the suggestion to the war office should consent to enlistment of "Bantam Battalions" was being considered. In the mining districts, he said, there were many men under regulation height who desire to serve the army, and some of them were already training.

making reconnaissance in an armed meter car; that at Houthem and Eppeghem, and at Meyesse, the Germans hoisted the Red Cross flag on houses BREAD PRICES eccapied by their troops, and on a barrack where they had parked their

Horrible Cruelty to Wound luckily for him the bullet only in- men of their company, they were ed and Torture of Prison- flicted a grazing wound on his abdo- taken on by the Germans with their hands bound behind their backs. French soldiers, wounded at the bat- Saive they came in contact with a tle of Dinant, were found with their company of the Belgian 19th of the tion front, and at a certain moment order-A Belgian on the ambulance staff ed them to cry, "Belgians, do not fire found two Belgian corpses bound to a -you are shooting at Belgians!" Two

Prisoners. Tortured. A Zeppelin dropped four bombs on the town of Devnze, an open and un-Many depositions concern attacks | defended place. Three of them struck |

A private deposed that he was cap-

were wearing. One of them received | The regimental surgeon of the brutal treatment for a whole day in corps bears witness that the man's There are many well-attested re- the hospital, while he was attending hands showed traces of having been At Louvenjoul the Germans tore others of his comrades were also tor- held in the Parish Hall at U. members, except the two cided that the cargo of the American In B.C. Coal Mine pieces of exploded balls extracted from away the armlets of three ambulance tured. One of them, who had offered night, the building being sons of Mr. Snelgrove. were arrested, beaten, and abused. arms and legs while his head was Employed in one of the Pacific Coast The witnesses include doctors, mili-

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)-Moderate ly west winds, fair today and Friday; not much change in

Russ. Forces Now Marching Into Hungary

vercome the Austro-German Resistance and Carry Invasion Westward.

marching into Hungary by the valleys of the Theiss and Ung Rivers, according to advices received here.

Taking the offensive at Koromezo, they are said to have inflicted severe losses on the Austrians and advanced five miles in the direction of Borkut. In the Lyutta Valley the Russians progressed southward as far as Turja patteries embedded in the Poloninaru-

SAYS GERMANS ARE EVACUATING LODZ, POLAND

firmed according to a Petrograd despatch, which states that the stores and offices of the Commissariat and the transports are being removed has-

Allied Aviators Give Turk Forts Bit of Surprise

as to question of inoculation against and French airships flew over Turkish the Germans and the Russians alike. ships just the same," said Andrew Al- of the T. A. Society with the First disease, replying to which Tennant de Thrace yesterday. According to a The scene of the fighting was at Bali-

But Crew All Safe REPORT SAYS

London, Feb. 10.-The American 4master schooner Maria O. Teel, which sailed from Philadelphia on Dec. 29th for Porto Rico, has been lost at sea, said taht the British ship Rio Colorado had arrived there, having on board her shipwrecked crew.

New York, February 10.—The of the report has been received. price of bread increased to-day from five to six cents, throughout New ZEPPELIN LOST York City and the vicinity. Rolls also went up from ten to twelve cents per dozen, and pie and cake in propor

some friction caused in connection deerichshafen. the next Contingent.

were on the platform.

GERMANS SHOT LT. COL. MARITZ Pretoria. Feb. 10.-Newspapers of

A despatch from Rio Janeeiro today Pretoria have published a report that Lieut.-Col. Maritz, the Boer officer who has been at the head of the rebebllious movement in South Africa, has been executed by the Germans for \ treachery.

IN U.S. INCREASE by the Germans of German South ette by the French has been announce-

has tendered his resignation owing to during a storm, it is reported at Frie-heavy slaughter.

Gallant Catalina Presents to the Belgian Minister of Justice, shows that German soldiers have been shows the shows that German soldiers have been sh Horrible cruelty to the wounded and Herself Will be Released as Soon sathering up the wounded, although supering up the wounded, although supering up the wounded, although supering up the wounded and supering up the wounded an

received.

Catalina, Feb. 11.—The re- owing to the arrival of the cruiting delegation arrived train. scalded. This soldier states that two yesterday and a meeting was All the Volunteers are F.P.

limbs that have had to be amputated, men and knocked them down. They resistance, was seized and held by the crowded to the doors and the Magistrate Roper read a a Prize Court, though the ship may de crowded to the doors and the crowded to meeting was a decided suctelegram that Bonavista had cargo is discharged. coal mines, at South Wellington, seven tary officers of high standing, and expresiding. Rev. Chamber- the Navy yesterday. lain, Rev. Bugden, Father The audience was electrified ordered into Falmouth; but was com-

> McKay and Magistrate Roper through the building. Catalina's previous contri-The speakers, Rev. Dr. Cur bution was twenty-five, maktis, J. G. Stone and G. Grimes ing the total to date forty. Goodridge & Sons office, has picked were heard, after which Capt. Many young men who would up a fountain pen and is anxious to MacNab called for Volun- go are now at Millertown.

teers. Fifteen came forward Well done Catalina! Newwith others to follow. The foundland will be proud of late Frederick Cook will be held at the

RUSSIANS VICTORIOUS IN THE CARPATHIAN MTS.

Geneva, Feb. 10.—The Russians are Bayonet Charges Were of a Ferocity Unprecedented in Report

GERMAN LOSSES

dramatic and desperately contested annihilated, the Germans pushed forfight in the Carpathian Mountains, in ward their second line, under support which bayonet charges were described of heavy artillery, and were successas the most ferocious and without pre- ful in gaining a strategic elevation, cedent in history reached Petrograd but from this position they were al-

attacks on the part of the German counter-attack followed each other in troops were finally repulsed by the rapid succession.

Ferocious Fighting. Mitylene, Feb. 10.—Several English waged with the utmost ferocity by snow clad hillside strewn with dead.

clared sentiment was in favor of com- despatch from Tenedos, two of the ma grad, which is thirty miles south of the German regiments finally and defi pulsory inoculation, intimating that chines went as far as Adrianople, Sanok, Galicia. German troops were nitely were driven out The Turks are said to have been un Claims which are semi-official by to have counted upwards of 1,000 Ger-Lord Kitchener, Secretary of War, prepared for a bombardment, as they the Russian staff say that the Hungari man dead before the Russian positions felt so strongly about the matter, Ten did not expect the Allied aircraft to an forces in the Carpathians were on this hill. He described this engage

The German plan, in so far as it can History Says a Petrograd be observed here now seems to be to abandon gradually their aggressive on the Bzura and in the Vistula regions, to transfer their troops to points where there is greater opportunity of WERE ENORMOUS piercing the Russian defensive.

The fighting in the Carpathians Remute and Peresceny on the railroad First German Line Was Al- would appear to be part of cedure. Concentrating their forces on most Totally Annihilated the night of Feb. 7th, the Germans, And the Enemy Was Un early on the following morning, began what doubtless rapidly developed into able to Gain Any Advant- one of the fiercest attacks in the history of the Carpathian campaign.

First Line Annihilated.

Petrograd, Feb. 11.—Details of the With their first line almost totally most immediately driven back by a According to these reports, repeated Russian bayonet charge. Attack and

Russians, and the German dead lay in Towards evening the Germans in great numbers in front of the Russian great numbers seemed to be in perpositions. The losses are described manent possession of the heights. Then a general counter-attack by the Russians resulted in two hours' hard Unquestionably the fighting was hand to hand fighting, which left the

Finally Driven Off.

present in very considerable numbers. A Russian officer claims personally augmented by 300,000 Germans, and ment as typical of battles which are that German officers are now definite- occurring daily in the Carpathians.

Allies Gain New Positions In The West

French Capture Important Hill of Notre Dame de Lorette-Gains By the British

St. Omer, France, Feb. 11.-The cap Maritz's movement was supported ture of the Hill of Notre Dame de Lor-West Africa. No official confirmation ed at headquarters here, The hin which dominates an entire region, has been fiercely disputed for weeks as well as a position captured by the Bri tish close to Violanes Station which WITH ALL CREW was one of considerable importance

as it overlooked La Bassee. Geneva, Feb. 10-The entire crew of The Germans made several ata Zeppelin, missing four days, were tempts to recapture it, but the Brl-Rumour has it that a prominent drowned, when the airship fell in the tish troops held strongly fortified member of the Volunteer Committee North Sea, off the coast of Denmark, lines and repulsed these attacks with

The British captured, on Sunday with the appointment of officers for Details of the disaster have not been night, two trenches near Eastubert, apparently to the newest class of German recruits. Nearly all of them

British Seize Cargo Of Food

as Her Cargo Has Been Landed.

London, Feb. 11.-The British Foreign Office, after an enquiry, has desteamship Wilhelmina, must go thru

pelled to make that port because of damage suffered in storms while crossing the Atlantic.

Mr. E. M. LeMessurier of Messrs, A.

An enquiry into the drowning of the Magistrate's office this afternoonn.